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This is a terrible settlement. I do feel that those in the Justice Department that made it were well meaning, but they simply do not understand what Microsoft is doing. Most developers will flat out tell you that Microsoft is an impediment to technological advancement, they are a monopoly, and have massively abused that position.

I could go on and on. But let me just make one example, Internet Explorer.

Microsoft was nonexistent in the development stages of the Web. But they ended up cloning the good work of others, and then using their monopoly power to drive those who were the innovators, out of the picture.

This is what Microsoft does every time. They were a decent and innovative company, up to the mid 90s. But that changed. Microsoft no longer creates, it does not innovate. It clones, and uses its monopoly position to drive those that really do innovate out, leaving Microsoft with control of the market.

If this is not monopoly abuse, what is? Please tell me.

And what is really frightening, is what Microsoft has planned for the future.

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